Iron County Register

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IRONTON. - - MISSOURI.

THE railroads of the country receive twenty-one million dollars a year for carrying Uncle Sam's mail-bags.

THE letter-carrier system of the country will cost the Post-Office Department nine million dollars this year.

OTTO LEUTH, the Ohio boy-murderer, who was to have been hanged at Cleveland, on the 23d, has been respited to June 20.

THE Treasury Department has decided that $2 per gallon is the highest rate of duty that can be imposed on alcohol.

THE Ontario House of Commons, on the 24th, passed to the third reading the bill extending the modus vivendi for another year.

LAWRENCE LONG, of Shelbyville, Ky., and J. J. McCann, of Flatbush, N. Y., were, on the 24th, appointed military cadets at West Point.

MISS EMMA B. KALBFLEISCH, convicted of defrauding Boston merchants, was, on the 25th, sentenced to one year in the women's prison at Sherborn, Mass.

HIGH Russian authorities view with unreserved disapproval the proposed presentation to the Czar of remonstrances from America and England against cruelties in Siberia.

MISS ABBIE MOORE GOODWIN, professor of Latin and Greek at Vassar College, died in the Vassar Hospital on the 23d. She had been an instructor at the college for seventeen years.

PETER L. MASON settled on a valuable claim near Seward, Oklahoma, eight miles south of Guthrie, a year ago, and, on the 23d, the Government patent was given him, being the first in the Territory.

GEORGE B. IVES, assistant district attorney, was arrested at Salem, Mass., on the 25th, on a charge of forgery. The amount involved is said to be $20,000, and the money, he says, was spent in extravagant living.

THE Post-Office Appropriation bill was finished by the House committee on post-offices and post roads, on the 22d. It carries an appropriation of $72,450,932, being $5,845,668 more than the appropriation for the current fiscal year.

THE grand master of the Masons of the District of Columbia, on the 22d, issued an edict annuling an edict issued last July against the Cerneau Scottish Rite Masons for alleged fraternal relations with the Grand Orient of France.

THE House committee on agriculture, on the 23d, authorized a favorable report on Senator Edmunds' bill providing for an inspection of meats for exportation and prohibiting the importation of adulterated articles of food and drink.

FIVE Russian sisters in Moscow were driven to suicide, on the 24th, by the dread of being arrested as Nihilists. A short time before taking their lives they burned all their papers, presumably with the object of shielding others.

THE Inman Line steamship City of Berlin was seized by the revenue officers at New York, on the 21st, and threatened with confiscation for attempting to discharge her cargo without having first entered at the custom house.

THE Monetary Times of Toronto, a leading commercial paper of Canada, condemns the Dominion Government for placing duties on agricultural products, and says such action invited retaliation on the part of the United States.

THREE Chinamen were seized by the custom-house officials at Buffalo, N. Y., on the 22d, as they were landing from a row-boat. They were attempting not only to make an illegal entrance into the country, but were loaded down with contraband opium.

EVERY thing is working smoothly and satisfactorily at the new immigrant station in New York, and when the new force are familiar with their duties, business will be transacted more expeditiously and speedily than under the old employes and old system.

THERE has been a general increase in the Newfoundland tariff system of five to ten per cent. The duty on butter and cheese has been raised to three cents per pound; cigars ten per cent. ad valorem and $6 per thousand, and fresh meats 1½ cents per pound.

HON. DAVID A. TAGGART, president of the New Hampshire State Senate, was inaugurated as acting Governor, on the 22d, by the Executive Council, and will perform the gubernatorial duties during the absence of Governor Goodell, who is incapacitated by sickness.

THE levee at Bayou Sara, La., gave way, on the 22d, and great loss of life was threatened. Governor Nichols, being appealed to, promptly sent a steamer and barges for the rescue of the imperiled people. He also appealed for National aid in view of the disaster.

THE Inman Steamship Company filed a bond of indemnity with Collector Erhardt, of New York, on the 23d, for the steamer City of Berlin, which was threatened with seizure for unloading her cargo without a permit from the customs authorities, and the vessel sailed the same day.

THE transfer of the State funds and securities recently under the control of Stevenson Archer, the defaulting State Treasurer of Maryland, to Colonel Edwin H. Brown, his successor, took place on the 23d. A careful recount of the securities showed the amount of Archer's defalcation to be $132,401.25.

THE new White Star Line steamship Majestic, which left New York, on the 16th, on her maiden eastward-bound trip, arrived at Queenstown on the 23d, six days, eight hours and fifty-eight minutes out. The ship's log shows her daily runs to have been as follows: 342, 334, 331, 448, 437, 442 and 347 miles.

THE National convention of colored men in session in Washington, on the 4th perfected a permanent organization by the election of Rev. J. C. Price, of North Carolina, as president, and W. C. Chase, of Washington, secretary. A list of honorary vice-presidents, one from each State represented in the convention, was also selected.

NEWS AND NOTES.

A Summary of Important Events.

FIFTY-FIRST CONGRESS.

IN the Senate, on the 21st, the World's Fair bill, which had already passed the House, was, after a long discussion, participated in by many Senators, passed, with an amendment providing for a naval review in New York harbor. A number of amendments to the bill were proposed by opponents of the measure, intended to weaken or bring it into ridicule, all of which were promptly voted down, and the bill passed by a vote of 43 to 13.....In the House the conference report on the bill to provide a temporay government for the Territory of Oklahoma, and changing the boundaries of the proposed Territory so as to exclude what is known as the Cherokee Outlet, was submitted and adopted. The bill appropriating $433,500 to provide necessary vaults and safeguards for the security of public money in the custody of the United States Treasurer, was reported from the committee and passed.

IN the Senate, on the 22d, the District of Columbia Appropriation bill was passed. The House amendment to the Zoological Park bill requiring half the expenses to be borne by the District of Columbia was agreed to and the bill was passed.....In the House the Senate amendments to the World's Fair bill was agreed to. The House then went into committee of the whole on the Legislative, Executive and Judicial Appropriation bill, which was made the subject of a long debate, during which the President's administration of the Civil-Service law was critizised and warmly defended. Pending a motion to strike out the appropriation of $21,780 for clerks for Senators the House adjourned.

IN the Senate, on the 23d, nearly all the session was taken up in the discussion of of the Oklahoma Territorial bill, which was passed. A bill to create a customs district in the Territory of Arizona, was passed. The Senate bill for the appropriation of $50,000 for the erection of a statue to Major-General Stark at Manchester, N. H., failed of passage for want of a quorum. The Land Forfeiture bill was taken up and became the unfinished business.....In the House the day was occupied in discussing the Legislative, Executive and Judicial Appropriation bill, the pending question being on the motion to strike out the clause providing clerks for Senators.

IN the Senate, on the 24th, the bill appropriating $50,000 for an equestrian statue of General John Starke, at Manchester, N. H., was passed. The amendments to the House bill to transfer the revenue-cutter service from the Treasury Department to the Navy Department, reported from the committee on naval affairs, were agreed to. The Land-Forfeiture bill was taken up, and the amendments proposed by the Senate committee on public lands were acquiesced in.....In the House in committee of the whole the Legislative, Executive and Judicial Appropriation bill was considered at length, and the Civil-Service law was discussed.

IN the Senate, on the 25th, House joint resolution appropriating $150,000 to be used by the Secretary of War for the relief of destitute persons in the districts overflowed by the Mississippi river and its tributaries, was passed, as were two or three other bills of no general interest, and the remainder of the session was given up to eulogies of the late Representative Edward J. Gay, of Louisiana, out of respect to whose memory the Senate then adjourned.....In the House the joint resolution to enable the Secretary of War to distribute rations to destitute people in the districts overflowed by the Mississippi river and its tributaries was passed. The House then went into committee of the whole on the Legislative, Executive and Judicial Appropriation bill. An evening session was held at which thirty private pension bills were passed.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

ISADOR WEINE, formerly of Charleston, S. C., and chief officer of General Beauregard's staff during the war of the rebelion, died suddenly in New York on the 21st. After the surrender of Appomattox he moved North and engaged in several business enterprises, all of which ended in financial disaster.

SHERMAN L. KNIGHT, a country school teacher, obtained $1,000 at a bank in Tiffin, O., on the 22d, on a note purporting to be signed by his father, a wealthy farmer. The genuineness of the note is questioned, the young man having disappeared. He had borne a good character.

THE Para Rubber Shoe Company, of South Framingham, Mass., on the 21st, voluntarily increased the wages of their employes an average of about twelve per cent.

THE New York State Senate, on the 22d, passed the bill recommended by the Governor to require party agents, committees, etc., to file statements of election expenses.

THE Republican State Central committee of Iowa, at its meeting in Des Moines, on the 22d, decided to hold the next State convention at Sioux City, June 25.

EDWARD HANLAN and Fred Plaisted have been matched to row three races on the Tennessee river at Bridgeport, Ala., on May 6, 7 and 8, for the one-mile championship of the United States and a purse of $2,000. Each race will be one mile straight away.

THE Pennsylvania railroad statement for March shows an increase of $58,171 in net earnings over March, 1889. For the first three months of 1890 the net earnings have increased $287,116 over the same period of 1889.

THE Prince of Wales will visit Homburg in July.

RANDOLPH DUBOIS, who murdered his wife, two children and mother-in-law in the village of St. Albans, Canada, a couple of months ago, has been sentenced to be hanged.

THE ice broke up and went out of the Lower Saranac lake on the 23d.

THE main shaft of the Sander's power line at Haverhill, Mass., was twisted off on the 23d, and over 2,500 hands were rendered idle for two days. One-quarter of the shoe district was shut down.

NOAH PALMER, aged seventy years, a member of a band of gypsies encamped at Morrisville, N. J., who had been on a protracted spree, shot his wife, on the 24th, killing her instantly. He next attempted to shoot his daughter, but failed, and then shot himself in the back of the head, inflicting a fatal wound.

A WELL-TO-DO farmer named Morrison, living near Shelburne, Ont., drowned three of his children in a barrel of rain-water, on the 23d, and then attempted to drown himself in a creek.

THE World's Fair bill was approved by the President on the 25th.

A SEVERE earthquake shock was experienced in portions of California shortly after half-past three o'clock on the morning of the 24th. Buildings were shaken perceptibly and persons were aroused from their sleep. Plastering fell from the walls in places, but no serious damage has been reported.

THE sixty days' notice given by the coal miners and coke workers of the Smithton (Pa.) district expired on the 24th, and a strike taking out over 1,000 men was inaugurated. A protracted struggle is anticipated.

THE New York State Senate, on the 24th, recalled from the Assembly the Saxton Ballot-Reform bill and repassed it, after changing it so as to agree with the amended Saxton bill which was recently agreed to by the Governor, Mr. Saxton and others.

EMIN PASHA with 500 porters, five German officers and a large body of Nubian soldiers started from Zanzibar for the interior of Africa on the 25th.

TWO men were crushed to death under falling walls caused by an explosion of vitriol during a fire in the large new building of the Unicorn Silk Manufacturing Company, at Catasauqua, Pa., on the 24th. Four others were fatally and five severely injured.

THE only hope of the creditors of Montana is in an extra session of the Legislature. The Supreme Court has decided an action brought against the State Auditor to recover money for the State printing adversely to the Journal Publishing Company.

THE President, on the 25th, withdrew from the Senate the appointment of Captain W. T. Thompson to be postmaster at McKeesport, Pa., because it is charged that he plays poker, drinks whisky and swears.

PRESIDENT HARRISON, on the 25th, approved the joint resolution passed by the House and Senate on the same date, appropriating $150,000 for the relief of Mississippi river flood sufferers.

SPECIAL crop reports from all parts of Manitoba state that never before were indications at this season of the year more favorable for a prosperous season.

JAMES LANKFORD, assistant postmaster at Sandborn, Ind., was sentenced, on the 24th, to a year in the penitentiary for rifling registered letters.

BUSINESS failures in the United States for the seven days ended on the 25th, numbered 179, and those of Canada 39—total 218, compared with 214 for the previous week. For the corresponding week last year the figures were 186 in the United States and 27 in Canada.

THE English are much disturbed over the new aspect of affairs in Africa, and look with alarm upon Germany's newly-displayed energy in the matter of colonization.

A DELEGATION of representative men appeared before the Senate committee on education, on the 25th, to urge the passage of the Morrill Educational bill, which provides that a certain proportion of the receipts from the sale of public lands shall be turned over to the agricultural colleges and the balance to the educational fund.

MRS. MARY CRIMSLEY, a middle-aged lady of Boston, was arrested, on the 25th, for attempting to poison her husband. She confided her intention to Mr. Crimsley's physician, who betrayed her.

THE Lowell (Mass.) Carpet Mill shut down for a week beginning on the 28th. A decline in orders is the reason given. One thousand operatives are employed in the mill.

FRANK WILLIAMS was convicted at San Francisco, on the 25th, of robbing the Placerville stage some months ago. The penalty fixed by the law is imprisonment for life. Sentence was deferred.

MARY ANDERSON, in a letter to a friend at Louisville, Ky., confirms the report of her engagement to Mr. Navarro, and declares that she will never again appear on the stage.

FIRE broke out again in the Unicorn Silk Mill at Catasauqua, Pa., on the 25th, and the flames communicated to the vault, damaging silks stored therein to to the extent of $10,000.

A HOUSING citizens' meeting was held at Sioux City, Ia., on the evening of the 25th, at which it was decided by a unanimous vote to build a corn palace this year on a greater and grander scale than ever before. A guarantee fund of $25,000 was subscribed.

WHEN Sheriff McFeely at Marion, Ind., called his prisoners for breakfast on the morning of the 25th, it was discovered that five of the eighteen had carved their way to liberty during the night. They got out by prying up a stone in the floor and tunneling through a two-foot stone wall.

A RUMOR was current in New York, on the 25th, that indictments had been found against Colonel John A. Cockerill, Julius Chambers and City Editor Graham of the World for certain publications relative to the late Stewart will case, which were alleged to reflect upon ex-Judge Henry Hilton.

HENRY STRAUSS, of Chicago, purchased the wife of Fritz Lander, of Salt Lake City, Utah, on the 25th, for $100. Mrs. Lander and Strauss were sweethearts in Germany, but became separated by circumstances. The reunited couple at once took the train for San Francisco.

LATE NEWS ITEMS.

IN the Senate, on the 26th, the day was devoted to the calendar. Senate bill to carry out, in part, an agreement with the Sioux Indians of Datota for the sale of a portion of their reservation, and appropriating $1,800,000 for the purpose, and House bill to pay A. H. Wory, of Connecticut, for use of gun patents by the Government, amended by increasing the amount from $50,000 to $125,000, were passed.....In the House, in the absence of Mr. Speaker Read, Mr. Burrows, of Michigan, acted as Speaker pro tem., and the session of the entire day, lasting up to eleven o'clock at night, was passed in the effort to secure a quorum.

ON the 25th one hundred and fifty boys at the Planet mills in Brooklyn struck for shorter hours. Their demands were conceded, and the boys went to work again on the 26th.

THE fifty-eighth anniversary of the birth of General Grant was fittingly observed, on the 26th, (the 27th being Sunday) by the Americus Club of Pittsburgh, by a banquet to which 310 distinguished guests sat down. The toasts and speeches occupied the hours until midnight.

THE wife of Steve Brodie, of Brooklyn, the bridge jumper, has been missing since the 17th. On the 27th Brodie offered $1,000 reward for any information as to her whereabouts.

CHICK BROTHERS of Haverhill, Mass., discharged all their shoe cutters, on the 26th, on account of a disagreement about wages.

GEORGE PFAFF, aged twenty-four, one of the employes of the Unicorn silk mills at Catasauqua, Pa., who was injured during the late fire at the mills, died, on the 26th, of his injuries.

IN the celebrated case of Emma Cameron, who has a claim against the Government for damages done during the war on her place, "Cameron Hill," near Chattanooga, the Senate committee, on the 26th, agreed to a report authorizing the Secretary of War to pay Mrs. Cameron whatever he shall find to be due her.

BALTIMORE, Md., was visited, on the the 27th, by a destructive hail-storm, in which the stones were as large as a man's fist, some of them rugged and sharp on the edges as steel blades. Nearly all the window panes in the city were broken.

CASPER SOER, the head clerk of the Newark, N. J., Post-Office was committed to the Trenton jail, on the 27th, in default of $5,000 bail for embezzling $5,000 from the money order department of the Newark Post-Office.

MISSOURI STATE NEWS.

Mrs. Cockrell's Tea.

Mrs. Senator Cockrell gave a charming tea in Washington recently in honor of Miss Dameron and Miss Briggs, of St. Louis. In order to give Missouri ladies an idea of the affair, the following is taken from a St. Louis paper:

The rooms presented a pretty spring-like appearance, decorated with a few potted plants and flowers, while through the windows streamed a flood of sunshine. Nearly every one who came in wore a cluster of flowers, which added greatly to the general effect. The hostess wore a gown of black velvet, with full front of cardinal silk, Miss Briggs light blue China crepe, and Miss Dameron white and lavender India silk. The other ladies of the receiving party were Miss McLaren, of St. Louis, in black lace and jet; Miss Harlan, daughter of Justice Harlan, in French gray, and Miss Danigren, dark blue silk. In the tea room Mrs. Cockrell's young daughter, who will not make her debut for several seasons yet, wore a gown of light blue cashmere, and was assisted in dispensing the hospitalities of the table by Miss Ernst in light blue India silk and Mrs Walthall in white silk. Among the guests were General Greely, General Robertson, Mrs. Howard G. White, Mrs. Anson G. McCook, Mrs. General Rochester, Lieutenant and Mrs. Richardson Glover, Mrs. James Morrill, Miss Batchellor, Mrs. Mary Wilson, Miss Mattie Mitchell, Miss Handy, Lieutenant Barrett, Lieutenant Russell, Miss Gussie Wilson (daughter of Colonel John M. Wilson), Miss Elena Porter, Mr. Charles Campbell and Dr. Ewing.

Albert Wing Pardoned.

Albert Wing, who was sent to the penitentiary from St. Louis about six years ago for killing a young man named Glenn, the trouble being over the affections of a young Kentucky woman named Essie Davis, who has since established quite a reputation, has been pardoned by Governor Francis. The commutation will leave Wing a free man May 19. His sentence was for ten years. Judge Van Waggoner and Judge Normile recommended clemency.

Delegates to the Levee Convention.

Governor Francis has appointed the following delegates to the Mississippi River Improvement and Levee convention, to be held at Vicksburg, Miss., on April 30: Frank Gaiennie, St. Louis; Michael McEnnis, St. Louis; Marshall Arnold, Benton; George W. Carleton, Gayoso; Frank Green, Hillsboro; Joseph Russell, Charleston; Charles C. Rozier, Ste. Genevieve; George W. Whittcotten, New London; J. C. Mittelberger, St. Charles, and William Dawson, New Madrid.

Jumped from a Train.

A few nights ago a prisoner named D. A. Brainerd, who was being conveyed to the penitentiary by the sheriff of Andrew County, made his escape by jumping from a Missouri Pacific passenger train while running at full speed about a mile east of Independence.

A Splendid Gift.

Adolphus Busch, a wealthy St. Louis brewer, has offered a valuable tract of land in the suburbs if that city to be used as a site for the buildings of the Good Shepherd, providing of the necessary funds to erect suitable buildings can be raised. The order is devoted to the work of rescuing wayward girls, and affording them a home where they can remain, and upon satisfactory evidence of intent to reform they are given an opportunity to earn a livelihood, and situations are found them.

After Fifty Years.

Dr. Reuben King and wife, Elizabeth, celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their marriage at their home in Oregon, Holt County, a few nights ago. They were married at Ross County, O., April 23, 1840, and have lived in Oregon since 1865. All their living children, six in number, as well as a large number of grandchildren, neighbors and friends, were present.

A Military Company Organized.

An application to organize a military company at Liberty was sent to Adjutant-General Wickam, at Jefferson City, the other day. The names of seventy men were enrolled on the application, and the movers have every assurance that the organization will be allowed. In the event that it is, it will be attached to the Third Regiment, National Guards of Missouri, of Kansas City.

Suing Crusaders.

Thomas J. Ward and Andrew J. Carroll, the Lathrop saloon-keepers, filed papers the other morning in a suit for damages against E. G. Kinney and wife, M. S. Bonnam and wife, Rev. J. L. Carmichael and wife, N. M. Perry and wife, Mrs. Pauline Stuckey, Elder A. B. Jones, Charles P. Jones, John W. Walker, W. L. Thompson, Steve Fagin, J. H. Brooking and Walter Fagin. Ward sues for his entire stock, although nothing was touched but the liquors. He estimates his damages at $1,000. Carroll sues for his entire stock, valued at $260. All the parties sued intend to fight the case. The crusaders will make an effort to have as many indictments as possible found against the saloon-keepers. It is thought an effort will be made to have all the crusaders indicted by the grand jury.

Removed to St. Louis.

The official order removing the headquarters of the Department of the Missouri to St. Louis having been received at Fort Leavenworth, Kas., all the officers and employes have departed from the latter city.

Guilty of Murder.

At Warrensburg, in the Fisher trial, Fisher pleaded guilty to murder in the second degree, by agreement, and a nolle prosequi was entered in Miss Swearingen's case.

A Notorious Thief Released.

Dutch Charley, a most famous thief and confidence man in a small way, was released from the penitentiary a few days ago. He was first sentenced from St. Louis for grand larceny. This happened in 1851, and he has never been over a year outside of the penitentiary since. He completed his tenth term. He says that he is seventy years old. He has no relatives living.

County Supervision Defeated.

County supervision of the public schools was defeated in most of the counties in which the proposition has been submitted.

Church Dedicated.

The Prospect Avenue Presbyterian Church in Kansas City was dedicated recently, Rev. Dr. Rains, of Topeka, Kas., preaching the dedicatory sermon, after which $12,000 was subscribed with which to pay off the debt on the church, which, with the ground, cost $30,000.

Under Street-Car Wheels.

Bronson Lee, aged six years, son of W. H. Lee, was killed a few days ago in St. Louis by being run over by a horse street-car. The accident was unavoidable, it is said, as far as the driver was concerned.

FOREIGN BUDGET.

President Carnot's Triumphal Tour of France Looked Upon as a Master-Stroke—A Mute but Positive Defiance to Monarchical Malcontents—More of the Kaiser's Speech on Board the Fulda—The Key Note of Reform in England—Another Russian Sensation.

PRESIDENT CARNOT'S MASTER-STROKE.

LONDON, April 23.—The triumphal tour of France which President Carnot is now making is one of the most powerful strokes of political wisdom that could possibly have been conceived in the mind of any politician desirous to perpetuate the French Republic, to which, it may be said, it has given a new lease of life. Everywhere the President, whose name recalls historical events of a most stirring character, has been received with manifestations of admiration and demonstrations of devotion to the existing Administration which must convince the minority of malcontents, adventurers and intriguers of the hopelessness of their attempts to overthrow the popular government and

President Carnot.

RE-ESTABLISH THE MONARCHY.

The itinerary of M. Carnot's tour has been admirably planned and faithfully carried out, while every thing has opportunely added itself to the succession of preconceived events which could tend toward achievement of the objects of the trip. His visit to the house in which the great Napoleon was born, at Ajaccio, yesterday, is described as an intensely theatrical affair, wherein the visitor vied with his entertainers in magnifying the importance of the occasion, and its effect as a shrewd political move may be accurately estimated by any one acquainted with the volatility of the French provincial character. Altogether the trip is the greatest triumph of the Carnot regime, and its returns will be plainly apparent at the next elections.

STANLEY'S DIGESTION IN DANGER.

The almost continuous feasting and feting to which Mr. Stanley has been subjected since his arrival in Brussels must by this time cause him to look with dismay at what awaits him in London. Besides the public receptions arranged in his honor most of the scientific, literary, geographical and other societies as well as some of the leading clubs have planned dinners and other entertainments in sufficient number to turn his head with adulation and permanently impair his digestion, and it is predicted that the explorer will feel himself compeled, in the interest of his health, to decline many of these well-meant though ill-timed courtesies.

WILL ARRIVE ON SATURDAY.

LONDON, April 24.—Henry M. Stanley will arrive in London on Saturday.

PRESIDENT CARNOT AND THE CORSICANS.

AJACCIO, Corsica, April 23.—The train which was carrying President Carnot from this city to Bastia was delayed in reaching the latter place by reason of the derailing of the train which preceded. A stop was made at Corte, where the President made an address to the municipal authorities and the people, in which he congratulated them upon the fact that Corsican dissensions were a thing of the past and that only a French party of patriotism and unification remained. Upon arriving at Bastia the President was enthusiastically received by an immense concourse of people, and the Italian fleet anchored in the harbor fired a salute in his honor.

MORE OF THE EMPEROR'S SPEECH ON BOARD THE FULDA.

BERLIN, April 23.—In his speech delivered on board of the steamship Fulda Emperor William said that as he loved the sea he had always observed with keen interest the natural phenomena connected therewith. Once in the Baltic his squadron altered its route, and the ships lost sight of one another in the fog. Suddenly, high overhead, appeared the German flag, and, when the fog lifted, the vessels were observed all following precisely the new course laid out for them. This incident had seemed to him symbolical. "If some gloomy hours are in store for our country," added the Emperor, "let us still continue our labor for the attainment of our common end. We fear God, and nothing else in the world. If in the press of public life symptoms of danger are manifested, let us be ready to believe that things are not so bad as they appear."

Some journals express the opinion that the Emperor had in mind the crisis occasioned by Prince Bismarck's retirement when he made these remarks.

"ONE MAN, ONE VOTE."

LONDON, April 24.—Sir Charle Russell, in a speech last night, declared that the key note of all future reform was the adoption of the principle of "One man, one vote." He strongly condemned the government's land-purchase scheme.

A STARTLING DISCOVERY.

ST. PETERSBURG, April 24.—The discovery has been made that documents embodying a scheme of Russian mobilization on the frontier of Germany and Austria in the event of war have been stolen from the War Office. The discovery has created a profound sensation in high military circles, and suspicion of complicity in the theft attaches to several persons of high rank.

A Jealous Husband Shot.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., April 24.—Last evening Joseph P. Anderson was probably fatally wounded by G. R. Buchan, a civil engineer from Pittsburgh, who was walking with the former's wife. Mrs. Anderson had been separated from her husband, but he was still jealous of her. Buchan and Mrs. Anderson were out walking, when they were joined by Anderson. A quarrel ensued, and Anderson drew a pistol. Buchan was too quick and shot him twice. Anderson then fired several shots, but apparently without effect. At last accounts Buchan had not been captured.

Murder in the Rhode Island State Institution.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., April 24.—The State Institution at Cranston, was Tuesday night the scene of another tragedy, Mary McCarty losing her life at the hands of Catherine Hanley. The assault occurred in the old woman's ward at eleven o'clock. Mrs. Norton, the night watch, arrived in time to see the McCarty woman being assisted to a closet, where she vomited blood. On being placed back in bed, she died. Before dying she said that Catherine Hanley, who slept in the cot next to her, "had pounded and murdered her."

THE ST. LOUIS SEER.

Rev. Irl R. Hicks' Forecasts for May—Storms and Widely-Varying Temperatures will Prevail.

ST. LOUIS, April 25.—Rev. Irl R. Hicks, in the May number of Word and Works, just out of press, gives the following as the forecasts for May weather:

The disturbances originating the last of April will reach its climax about the 1st and 2d of May. It will be very warm between April 29 and May 4, not covering the whole country at the same time, of course, but starting in the West, and causing a high temperature, by turns, over the whole continent in its progress to the East. Storms of much energy will result after the same progressive order, with a very cool wave following in their wake and reaching the Atlantic about the night of May 3. The reactionary movement will be central on the 6th, touching the 5th and 7th in their eastward progress with rising, high temperature and storms. The regular fall of temperature will follow, in all probability reaching the frost line in the North about the 6th, 7th or 8th.

The second marked storm period for May is from the 10th to 15th. Mercury and "Vulcan" are both central on the 12th. The equinox of Mars, reaching forward from the 26th, has come upon the field, and the moon's last quarter is in the forenoon of the 11th. These factors, combined with the fact that we have not yet passed out of the Jovian period, unless there are neutralizing forces in the combination unknown to us, indicate storms of very great energy about the 11th, 12th, 13th and 14th. Within the limits here given dangerous storms are more than liable to cross the country, jeopardizing property and lives. Should such arise, there will be timely tokens of their approach and ample time for all proper and prudent self-defense to those who count the subject of sufficient importance to watch. Of course, the usual cool wave will follow the storms—this time a full-grown one—gradually surrendering its grip for the reactionary storms on and next to the 18th. There will be good reasons for watchfulness when clouds appear about the 18th and 19th. Very cool nights will follow.

The last regular storm period for the month will be from the 22d to the 26th. There is much tendency to an aggravated atmospheric condition, at times, when the moon is at her first quarter, which falls on the 26th, with the equinox of Mars. Hence this period will concentrate its force on its last days, or will be prolonged against its normal time, in continued rains up to the reactionary movements on and about to the 29th.

The outlook for May is that there will be heavy and general rainfalls, with much cool weather, rising into abnormally high temperature during the passage of storm centers on and about the danger days. Earthquake phenomena will result about the same times, the most probable being about the 18th and 19th.

ANOTHER BAD BREAK.

The Point Pleasant Levee Gives Away—Most of Tensas Parish, La., in Danger—Immense Loss Entailed by the Break in the Morgansea Levee—Hundreds of Homeless Families—Thousands of Cattle Drowned—The Relief Steamer Dacotah at Work.

NEW ORLEANS, April 24.—The Point Pleasant levee, Tensas parish, twenty-three miles below Vicksburg, broke today. It was a very important levee. Most of Tensas Parish will doubtless be flooded.

Superintendent Grant of the Texas & Pacific road says that twenty million dollars' worth of property will be irretrievably damaged by the break in the Morgansea levee. The people ought to have spent $500,000 in saving the levee, rather than let it break and then make a great fuss about sending relief.

Every plantation in Pointe Coupee Parish has been flooded from the Bayou Sara break. Hundred of families are homeless. All the levees are broken. Thousands of cattle have been drowned. It is probable that many persons in the interior have perished.

The relief steamer Dacotah last night found groups and scores of people, whites and blacks, some with babies in arms. They were huddled on knolls between the broken levees. The steamer gathered them in. Many starving cattle were passed.

A family named Luke, consisting of fifteen persons, were rescued by the Dacotah. They owned a large plantation, a well-filled store and one hundred head of stock. A crevasse sixty feet wide occurred right in front of their house Monday, and the flood destroyed all their property. The family narrowly escaped, but managed to reach the levee above the break. Many similar tales are heard.

When the Dacotah reached Bayou Sara yesterday she had one thousand head of cattle and five hundred people aboard. After landing them she started on another relief trip.

President Glynn of the police jury says thirteen parishes will be overflowed in that district.

THE WOOL GROWERS.

Statement to the Wool-Growers of the United States Issued by the National Association of Wool-Growers of Action Takin in Regard to the Proposed Wool Tariff.

WASHINGTON, April 25.—The National Association of Wool-growers last night issued the following statement to the wool-growers of the United States:

After consultation and careful study of the proposed Tariff bill—known as the McKinley bill—and with the approbation of the wool-growers present, we have joined in recommending to the committee on ways and means the following rates of duty for third-class wool: On such wool the value whereof shall be thirteen cents, including charges, the duty shall be thirty-two per centum ad valorem, and on such wool the value whereof shall be over thirteen cents, including charges, the duty shall be fifty per cent. ad valorem.

These rates are slightly lower than those in the proposed bill upon the very inferior grade, but are higher upon the better grades which come directly in competition with our quarter-blood and common wool, and we therefore request your earnest efforts to secure the enactment of the bill into law with confidence and faith that its effect will be to place wool-growing again among the prosperous industries of the country.

[Signed.] C. DELANO, President.
GEORGE H. WALLACE,
Secretary Wool-Growers' National Association.

Fatal Explosion in a Drug Store.

DELAVAN, Wis., April 25.—An explosion of dynamite yesterday afternoon in the cellar of the drug store of H. R. Doane, wrecked the building, breaking windows several blocks away and damaging adjoining buildings. The roof of the drug store was blown high in the air, and this was followed by a sheet of flame which enveloped the entire building. Four men were in the drug store at the time. Mel Barnhard and Dr. Patrick were rescued, the latter badly hurt. Doane and an unknown man perished in the flames. Heavy fire-walls on either side prevented a great loss.

Wife Murder and Suicide by a Drunken Gypsy.

TRENTON, N. J., April 24.—Early this morning Noah Palmer, aged seventy years, a member of a band of gypsies encamped at Morrisville, near here, and who had been on a protracted spree, shot his wife, killing her instantly, during a quarrel. He then attempted to shoot his daughter, who was sleeping alongside her mother, but failed, the bullet going through the tent. He then turned the pistol on himself and shot himself in the back of the head, inflicting a wound from which the doctors say he can not recover.

INTER-STATE COMMERCE.

Decision by the Inter-State Commerce Commission Defining Some of the Duties and Limitations Imposed on Common Carriers by the Inter-State Commerce Act in the Matter of Forwarding Traffic.

WASHINGTON, April 26.—The Inter-State Commerce Commission decided yesterday the case of Bennett D. Mattingly, a distiller of Louisville, Ky., against the Pennsylvania Railroad Company in favor of the defendant. The decision was prepared by Commissioner Schoonmaker. The Pennsylvania company operates the Jeffersonville, Madison & Indianapolis railroad, and a branch of this road, lying wholly within the State of Indiana, forms the only connection at New Albany, Ind., between the Louisville, Evansville & St. Louis Consolidated railroad and the Louisville, New Albany & Chicago railway. At New Albany the Pennsylvania company received complainant's grain from the former company, but refused to deliver it to the latter for transportation to Louisville, preferring to take the freight to that point over the Jeffersonville, Madison & Indianapolis, its own road.

The points decided in this case, briefly stated, are as follows: The provisions of the act to regulate commerce construed in the light of the principles that apply to inter-State commerce as enunciated by the courts of the United States, must be understood as intended to regulate all the commerce subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of Congress, including the agents and instrumentalities employed and the commodities carried, with only the limitations found in the act itself. The provision in the first section that the provisions of the act shall not apply to the transportation of passengers or property, or to the receiving, delivering, storage or handling of property wholly within one State, and not shipped to or from a foreign country from or to any State or Territory as aforesaid, that is by continuous carriage or shipment, only excludes from regulation the purely internal commerce of a State, that which is confined within its limits, which originates and ends in the same State. When a State carrier engages in inter-State commerce it becomes a National instrumentality for the purpose of such commerce, and is subject to regulations prescribed by the National authority. It can not limit its obligations in that business, but must serve the business offered impartially and without preference or discrimination. The National regulations prescribed are not in all respects co-extensive with the power of Congress, and do not provide for ordering through routes and through rates. While it is the duty of a State carrier which engages in inter-State commerce to forward traffic offered from a connecting line, there is no authority under the present act to compel the carrier to forward the traffic over a route not operated or selected by itself.

A DELEGATE SPEAKS.

Senor John Alfonso, Delegate from Chili to the Pan-American Congress, Denounces as False and Unwarranted the Utterances of a Chilian Citizen.

NEW YORK, April 26.—Senor John Alfonso, delegate from Chili to the recent Pan-American Conference, regrets that through a reporter's carelessness the remark of a Chilian citizen sojourning in this country have been published as if emanating from a delegate to the conference. The incident makes it appropriate, however, for Senor Alfonso himself to express his views, which he does as follows:

"I regard the mere holding of the conference as an important matter in itself. While there may be no immediate results, the work done will surely bear good fruit in the end. Chili desires the trade of this country. We have been most courteously treated by the people here, and I desire to denounce as false and unwarranted the entire statement made by the citizen referred to."

A REGULAR DELUGE.

Gainesville, Tex., Visited by a Regular Deluge, which Swept Away Forty Dwellings and Caused the Loss of One Life.

GAINESVILLE, Tex., April 26.—A terrific storm of rain and hail struck this city Thursday night, deluging the streets to the depth of three feet, and destroying over $50,000 worth of property. The cloud-burst was preceded by a four hours' rain, accompanied by thunder and lightning. A creek which flows through the center of the town rose up and swept away forty dwellings, but the whole city came to the rescue and only one life was lost.

Yesterday morning washouts were reported on all the railroads, and all traffic was suspended on the Santa Fe. Crops have suffered, many farms being under water. Mrs. Gestman died of fright while being carried from her home.

The Cowden Plan for the Improvement of the Missippi River.

WASHINGTON, April 26.—The Senate committee on commerce gave a hearing yesterday morning to the advocates of the Cowden plan of improving the Mississippi river by making the Lake Borgne outlet, etc. Among those who addressed the committee were Captain T. P. Leathers, ex-Solicitor-General Goode, John Cowden, Mr. Chalmers, of Louisiana, and a representative of the Knights of Labor named Schultheis. The committee took no action on the bill.

A Would-Be Murderess.

BOSTON, April 26.—Mrs. Mary Crimslick, a middle-aged lady living at the North End, has been arrested for conspiring to kill her husband by poison. She told her desire to be rid of her husband to a physician, who was attending him, and the physician gave her harmless concoctions which she believed were poisons and which she administered to her husband. The physician had several interviews with her at his office, and each time she came she asked for stronger potions. Witnesses were in concealment and evidence was procured sufficient to warrant arrest.

Arrested for Conspiracy to Affect the Market Value of Stocks.

BOSTON, April 26.—Mr. William L. Vinal, connected in business with Mr. Thomas W. Lawson, of the Lawson Manufacturing Company, was arrested here yesterday under an indictment said to have been found in New York City, charging him with conspiring with persons of New York and Boston to injuriously affect the market value of the stock of the Lawson Consolidate Store-Service Company, of Boston. There will be a hearing before Governor Bracket at 11:30 a. m. to-day, for the extradition of Mr. Vinal.